



August 30, 2010

Customers of the National Finance Center:

Thank you for allowing the National Finance Center (NFC) to be your service provider! It is an honor we take very seriously!

I also want to thank you for your willingness to work with me for the past 27 years at the NFC. Through service opportunities and challenges, we were able to grow and mature together.

With my upcoming retirement, effective September 3, 2010, I wish you all well both professionally and personally. I am very thankful for your friendship and support. I will continue to think about all of you with great admiration and affection.

The Department of Agriculture is in the process of recruiting for the next NFC Director. In the meantime, John White will serve as the interim Director effective August 31, 2010.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cyrus", written over a light gray rectangular background.

CYRUS G. LOHFINK
Director